

REMARKS

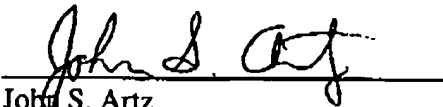
The Examiner issued the present Office Action because the Reply filed by the Applicant was not fully responsive. Specifically, the Examiner indicated that the Applicant has not responded to the restriction requirement that was part of the prior Office Action. The previous Office Action noted that election made by Applicant to prosecute the invention of Group I and that claims 9 through 15 were withdrawn from further consideration. The Applicant was unaware that anything else was required. While the Examiner noted that claims 9-15 were withdrawn, the Office Action also indicated that claim 9-18 were withdrawn from consideration and that claims 16-18 were not addressed by the Examiner in the Office Action. The Applicant therefore requests clarification as to the claims at issue in this application.

However, in an effort to fully comply with the Examiner's objections, the Applicant hereby confirms the prior election to pursue the invention of Group I as shown in Figures 1-4, which correspond to claims 1-8 and 16-18.

It is respectfully submitted that all objections and rejections of record have been overcome and that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. A notice of allowance is therefore earnestly solicited.

If the Examiner should have any questions, he is urged to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,  
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